SENATE BILL No. 1771

Introduced by Senator Escutia

February 24, 2006

An act relating to high school graduation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1771, as introduced, Escutia. The high school exit examination: pupil assistance.

Existing law requires all pupils to pass the high school exit examination in order to obtain a diploma of graduation from high school, except as specified. Existing law permits a pupil to take the high school exit examination in grade 10 and during each subsequent administration, until each section of the examination has been passed. Existing law provides that pupils 18 years of age and older may enroll in and take classes through adult education programs and that those pupils without a diploma of graduation from high school are not charged a fee for a class designated by the governing board as a class for which high school credit is granted.

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to ensure that pupils who have not passed the high school exit examination continue to receive a free public education until these pupils are able to obtain a diploma of graduation from high school.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- legislation to ensure that pupils who have not passed the high
- 3 school exit examination continue to receive a free public

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- 1 education until these pupils are able to obtain a diploma of
- 2 graduation.